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1. (Secret - JMM) In response to Frank Slatinshek's request, Larry Houston, [REDACTED] and I met with Russ Blandford and Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Committee staff, to review Agency programs in Southeast Asia which might be the subject of questions at tomorrow's appearance of Defense representatives on the Defense procurement authorization bill. (See Mr. [REDACTED] Memo for Record for details.)

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2. (Confidential - JMM) David Abshire, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, called to say he had set up a meeting tomorrow with Senator Milton Young at 0930 and Senator Allen Ellender at 1000 hours for discussion of legislation regarding Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty, and would like Cord Meyer and me to participate.

3. (Confidential - JMM) Called Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, regarding a meeting with Colonel White and Bronson Tweedy preparatory to hearings scheduled by Chairman Ellender later this month on the community intelligence budget. Woodruff said he understood our problem and would indeed meet with us before the formal hearing, but could not do so this week.

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4. (Confidential - JMM) Mr. [REDACTED] and I met with Chairman James M. Hanley, Subcommittee on Employee Benefits, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and John Martiny and Richard Barton, of the Committee staff, and explained the Agency position regarding the Ervin bill on privacy of Federal employees. Hanley seemed sympathetic and recognized the Agency's reluctance to appear in open session despite the fact the Committee has a policy against closed sessions. He apparently welcomed our suggestion that instead of a formal session, if the Subcommittee did wish to examine the problem in a body, we might invite them to Headquarters for a breakfast meeting and brief them informally.

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5. (Confidential - JMM) Mr. [REDACTED] and I met with Representative Walter E. Powell (R., Ohio), a freshman member of the Employee Benefits Subcommittee, and explained our position with the Ervin bill and left some back-up material for Powell's examination. Powell seemed sympathetic and indicated he would probably support a complete exemption for the Agency.

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6. (Confidential - JMM) Mr. [REDACTED] and I met with Representative Charles H. Wilson (D., Calif.) who had introduced in the House a bill similar to the Ervin bill which provided no blanket exemptions for CIA. After hearing our arguments for such an exemption, Wilson indicated he was open minded on the subject and would appreciate detailed written analysis of the problems the bill created for the Agency, which we promised to provide promptly.

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7. (Confidential - GLC) [REDACTED] Finance, called regarding GAO's desire to audit [REDACTED] I told him this subject had come at the Legislative Interdepartmental Group meeting yesterday and I briefed him on the status of it.

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8. (Confidential - JGO) After the above meeting with Mr. Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Committee staff, I talked to him about the civil service retirement proposal, H. R. 7027, to guarantee the cost-of-living increase to employees retiring after the effective date of such increase. It is Mr. Slatinshek's feeling that the Committee will approve appropriate amending legislation to bring the Agency retirement system into phase after H. R. 7027 has been enacted.

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9. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Mr. [REDACTED] OGC, telephoned Mr. Stewart of Lord Abbott & Co., N. Y. C., in regard to Mr. Stewart's call to Representative Peyser's (D., N. Y.) office inquiring about the Agency's investment retirement program. [REDACTED] informed Mr. Stewart that there was no record of any representative of CIA having contacted him.

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Mr. Stewart admitted that he had talked to no one but wished to send certain material about his program to the Agency for consideration. [REDACTED] told Mr. Stewart that after careful study, the Agency had selected certain companies to handle its program. However, he could feel free to submit information concerning his company.

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10. (Internal Use Only - RJK) Left with Lee Williams, Administrative Assistant to Senator J. W. Fulbright (D., Ark.), a paper on the Pakistan situation which the Senator had requested at the Director's briefing of the Church Subcommittee yesterday.

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